

**BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT**  
**148 Wonder Street**  
**Johnstown, PA 15905**  
**Minutes for September 21, 2015**

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The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled September 21, 2015 council meeting was called to order by President Danyluk at 4:00 p.m.

**Present:** Attorney Michael Carbonara; Borough Manager Richard Wargo; Sec./Tres. Amanda Layton, Council President Ed Danyluk; Council Members; Gregory Paolini, William Kory, Kevin Pile, Sheree Speicher and Robert Morgan; Mayor Mark Yonko; West Hills Police Chief Michael Lose; Fire Chief Joel Weslager

**Absent:** Council Members Herb Ewald

**Visitors:** Richard Crowley (Truck Bids)

**Bid Opening**

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve opening bids for the 2009 Ford F-550 truck with plow and spreader. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. Mr. Ewald absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0). The bids were as follows: Petrunak Paving \$22,728.00; Richard Crowley \$18,900.00; Mike Veneziano \$8,101.00; M. Gaudino \$10,570.00. A motion was made by Mr. Kory to accept the bid received from Petrunak Paving in the amount of \$22,728.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Mr. Ewald absent. Motion carried (6-0).

**Meeting Agenda**

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the council meeting minutes of August 17, 2015. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Mr. Ewald absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

**Police Chief's Report**

Chief Lose reported Sgt. Fisher attended a training seminar sponsored by the Cambria County Department of Emergency Services and hosted by Mount Aloysius College regarding "Passenger Train Emergency Response" and Officers again provided traffic control services for the Log Cabin Arts Festival on Labor Day Weekend.

**Fire Company's Report**

Chief Weslager reported crews assisted West Hills with a house fire in Brownstown Borough and assisted Upper Yoder with a car that hit a pole on Goucher Street. Chief Weslager stated fire crews also responded to a brush fire at 301 Orchard Street, which burned a 60 x 20 area noting a few trees in that area will need to be looked at. Chief Weslager stated members attended the Cambria County Convention Parade and attended a training at Galliker Dairy with other area fire departments using two trucks that Gallikers donated. Chief Weslager reported Utility 26 was put back in service after getting the new bed installed.

**Engineer's Report**

Mr. Wargo reported a letter was received from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection stating they reviewed and approved our SSO Abatement Plan as submitted on September 1, 2015.

**Zoning Officer's Report**

Mr. Wargo reported five zoning permits issued to 67 Gardner Street (bearing wall), 6 Harding Street (deck), 1 Shady Lane (parking area), 211 Olive Street (deck) and 142 Violet Street (storage shed). Mr. Wargo reported two approved sewage compliance certificates issued to 425 Southmont Blvd. and 719 Diamond Blvd.

**Manager's Report**

Mr. Wargo reported brush cleanup has started and will run until the end of the week. Mr. Wargo reminded Council there will be an informational public meeting on October 6, 2015 at the Westmont Middle School to discuss the sanitary sewer project.

**Solicitor's Report**

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Ordinance No. 501, which establishes a requirement for certification of sanitary sewer status prior to the sale of real estate within the Borough of Southmont. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Mr. Ewald absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

**Secretary's Report**

A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the 2016 Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Southmont Borough Pension Plan. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Mr. Ewald absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

**Mayor's Report**

Nothing to report.

**1) COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Streets:** Mr. Ewald absent.

**B. Administration:** Nothing to report.

**C. Personnel:** Nothing to report.

**D. Police Committee:** Nothing to report.

**E. Budget & Tax Collection Committee:** Nothing to report.

**F. Shade Tree Committee:** Mr. Morgan reported approximately 33 trees need to be cut down.

**G. Buildings & Grounds Committee:** Nothing to report.

**H. Greater Johnstown Water Authority:** Mr. Pile reported the water authority is finishing various projects and have opened bids for valve work to be done at North Fork Dam.

**I. Open Records:** An open records request was received from Maureen Karas regarding August 2015 zoning permits.

**Business Items**

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve ratification of payroll from August 20, 2015 through September 21, 2015 in the amount of \$12,561.05. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Mr. Ewald absent. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (6-0). A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve payment of bills from August 19, 2015 through September 22, 2015 in the amount of \$145,820.51. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Mr. Ewald absent. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (6-0). A motion was made by Mr. Kory to approve the August 2015 treasurers report in the amount of \$685,116.66. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Mr. Ewald absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0). A motion was made by Mr. Kory to accept the July 2015 tax collectors report in the amount of \$2,297.85 and the August 2015 tax collectors report in the amount of \$1,145.71. Mr. Ewald absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Morgan for adjournment of the September 21, 2015 meeting at 4:23 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. Mr. Ewald and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

Respectfully submitted,  
*Amanda D. Layton*  
Secretary/Treasurer